DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, METHOD, SYSTEM, AND **COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT** the specification of which (check one) is attached hereto. X was filed on as Application Serial No. and was amended on (if applicable). I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35. United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application(s) **Priority Claimed** 2002-329468 13/11/2002 x yes ___ no Japan (Number) (Country) (Day/Month/Year Filed) yes no (Number) (Country) (Day/Month/Year Filed) __ yes __ no (Number) (Country) (Day/Month/Year Filed) I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application. (Filing Date) (Application Number) (Status - patent, pending, abandoned) (Application Number) (Filing Date) (Status - patent, pending, abandoned)

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